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Caledonian Mercury

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A short Account of all the most considerable News,
Foreign and Domestic.

Edinburgh, Tuesday November 5, 1723.

From the Evening Post, October 28.

Since our last we had one Mail from France, and 2 from Flanders

Paris Nov. 6.

MR. de Perrac a famous Man Midwife, set out last Week for Modena, to attend the Hereditary Princess of that name, he also takes with him a Nurse to look after that Princess during her lying in. We hourly expect News of the Death of the great Duke of Tuscany. The last Courier from Florence, having brought an Account that his Highness was then past all Hopes.

Hamburg, October 29. Letters from Stockholm say, That the King of Sweden relapsed again on the 19th Instant, and was so ill, That the Court Physicians set up with his Majesty 2 Nights together. The Dyet of that Kingdom was still sitting, and 'twas said would not break up before the 32d of this Month.

Hamburg, Oct. 29. The Russian Commissary Erdman, is very busy at Dantzick in listing Sailors, especially such as are well acquainted with the Navigation in the Mediterranean, to whom he allows very high Wages.

London, Oct. 31. Mr. Miller a Swede, is ordered to be prosecuted in the Sitings after Term, for writing Coppies of Mr. Hutchinson's Letters to the late E. of Sunderland, and dispersing them in written News Letters in several Parts of England.

This Day at Noon S. S. Stock was 111, one half. South Sea Annuity 100. Bank 119, 3 qurs. India 136. Africad 12, 7 8ths, York Buildings 13.

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From the London Gazette.

Lisbon, Oct. N. S. Letters from Cadiz advise, That two English Merchant Ships which were taken by a Corsair and carryed into Larache in Sept. last, are set at Liberty; and that the Captain who took them was sent into Irons to Miquez, when 'tis believed he will be put to Death, the Emperor of Morocco having declared his Resolution to maintain inviolably the Peace with Great Britain. Last Week came into this River a Ship from Trieste, a Port of the Adriatick in the Emperor's Hereditary Dominions, laden with divers sorts of Goods, to open Commerce with this Kingdom. Yesterday his Portuguse Majesty entered into the 35th Year of his Age, upon which Occasion he received the Compliments of the Nobility and of the Foreign Ministers. The Prince Don Carlos is indisposed, and gone into the Country for the Benefit of the Air.

London, Oct. 29. Yesterday Sir Peter Delme, Kt. Lord Mayor elect for the Year ensuing, was sworn at Guildhall, and Sir Gerard Coyners, Kt. the late Lord Mayor, surrendred to him the Chair and other Ensigns of Mayoralty, in the Manner accustomed.

This Day the new Lord Mayor, accompanied by the late Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder and Sheriffs in their scarlet Gowns, went in their Coaches to the Water-side, the Sword and Mace being carried before them, and the City Officers attending; and from thence proceeded in the City Barge, attended by the several Companies in their respective Barges adorned with Streamers and Pendants to Westminster; and having walked round the Hall, and solemnly saluted all the Courts, they went to the Exchequer Bar, and the Lord Mayor did there take the Oaths appointed, and having recorded Warrants of Attorney in the proper Courts, return'd by the Water to Blackfriars, and from thence in Coaches with the usual Solemnity to Fishmongers-hall; where a Magnificent Entertainment was provided, at which were present the great Officers of State, divers of the Nobility, Lords of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, the Judges and other Persons of Quality and Distinction.

From the Evening Post, October 29.

The young Princesses are also returned from Kensington to the Palace at St. James's.

Sir Godfrey Kneller Knight, who as principal Painter to his Majesty, had a Sallary of 200 L. per annum, died at his House in Great Queen Street, by Lincoln's Inn-fields, on Saturday Night last, in the 78th Year of his Age.

This Day Sir Peter Delme Knight, Lord Mayor elect of this City, went by Water to Westminster, where he was sworn into that high Office before the Barons of Exchequer; Then the whole Company went and dined at Fish-monger's Hall.

*From the Flying Post:**Hague, Oct. 20.*

S I R,

TIS just the same with us as 'tis with you; never was there less News, and never more News-Papers. Among others we have one lately sprung up at *Cologne*, which is call'd *Le Nouvelliste sans Fard*, or *Gazette sans Privilege*, i. e. The Undisguised News Writer, or the Unauthorized Gazette. That which is N. IV. and dated the 20th of this Instant complains of the Latin, Dutch, and French Gazettes published at *Cologne*, that their Style is barbarous and unintelligible, and their Subject Trash and Trumpery. He is altogether as capricious with the French Gazettes printed here in *Holland*, and says he finds little or nothing in them to his Purpose: those being generally the principal Articles

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of their News, viz. That the Duke of Orleans came in the Morning from Versailles to Paris, and was to go back again at Night from Paris to Versailles; That the Infanta Queen thinks the King very pretty, and is more in love with the Original than with the Picture; That his Majesty is perfectly recovered of his Surfeit, and a thousand other Advices of the same Kind, which are enough to turn the Reader's Brain. Therefore, says our Author, commend me before all to the honest French Gazetteer at Leyden, who often tells us, with his usual Eloquence and Frankness, and makes it an Article of News, That the Letters from Paris say there is nothing considerable stirring.

After our Author has bantered the Inhabitants of Holland and Zealand, for declaring that they never will have a Stadtholder, because they find by arithmetical Calculation, that such an Officer would do them more Harm than Good, he proceeds to be merry with the Emperor's new East India Company.

Apollo, says he, whose Oracle is very sincere, has foretold it, and it must be so: The Offenders shall fail for the Indies. They talk of equipping a Fleet of Three Ships, which they are to buy very quickly. They are not willing to have more at present, because they think too great a Number would be troublesome to them, like the Fox in the Fable, which would not eat the Grapes, because they were not ripe. This it is to be Wise. The stoutest of those three Ships of 300 Tons Burden, which they are to fill with the strong Beer of Louvain, to make the Sailors merry. The Company will send away the Deputies Proley and Kessel to thank the Emperor for his Grant, as soon as the Sums subscrib'd are actually paid; and when the said Payment is made, they will bespeak that Gold Coin called the *Lion*, of which the Company is to make the Emperor a Present. He adds, That the said Deputies have Orders to desire Leave of the Emperor to sell what the said Fleet brings from the Indies, in the Provinces of Flanders and Brabant alternately; and that the Magistrates of the Cities are to give Orders to all the Merchants to furnish their Warehouses with six Years Provisions, for Fear that the Fleet should be lost by the Way. The Actions of this same Company, says he, are come down to Nothing, on purpose to make the Purchase of them the easier, and their Circulation the brisker.

From the Evening Post, October 31.

Madrid, Octob. 29. The King has made Gentleman of his Bed-chamber, Don Joseph Arragonex, Marquis of St. Michael, as a Reward for the new Settlement made by him in the Province of Fojos, in the Kingdom of the Philippines, containing 240 Leagues in Circumference; having built 4 Forts there at his own Expence, established a Garrison, repaired six Churches belonging to the Missionaries there, and built three new.

Prague, Octob. 20. Her Imperial Majesty will set out for Vienna the 16 of next Month, and be 20 Days in performing her Journey.

Copenhagen, October 26. Last Saturday the Queen was delivered of a Princess, who next Day was Baptized, by the Name of *Christiana Charlotte*.

Brussels, Nov. 1. The late Lord Bolingbrook arrived here last Wednesday from Aix la Chapelle, and two Days ago proceeded on his Journey to France; from whence, 'tis said, he will go to England.

Hague, Nov. 2. We hear the King of Great Britain will not set out for England before the End of this Month.

Dantzick, Octob. 24. Here is Advice from Persia, That the Adherents of the old Sophi at Ispahan, having endeavoured to oppose the Regency of Meriweys, there ensued a popular Commotion; but the Usurper soon quell'd it, by putting to death 200 Persons of Distinction.

Hamburg, Octob. 29. The Resident of the King of Prussia having committed Violences against some of our Inhabitants, by forcieg them into the Service of the King his Master, our Regency has dispatched an Express to his Majesty, to acquaint him with all the Particulars of it, and to desire him to recall that Minister, and send another in his Place.

London

London, October 31. This Day at Noon several Persons call'd *Blacks of Walham*, were brought up to Town Prisoners in a Waggon, under a strong Guard of his Grace the Duke of Bolton's Horse, and carried to the Secretary's Office.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, October 31.

Paris, Nov. 4. We learn from Rome, That the General of the Jesuites has been forbid to send any more Missionaries to China, and has been ordered immediately to recall these already there.

The Duke de Noailles is not expected here till the Feast of St. Martin, by reason the Dutchess's Spouse is with Child.

The 25th past a Baby, or Doll, dressed after the Spanish Manner very richly, was presented to the Infanta Queen by the King and Queen of Spain.

The Abbe Vitman, Sub-preceptor of the King, and several others, are forbid the Court; but the Occasion of their Disgrace is not known.

Wye's Letter verbatim. London October 31, 1723.

THEY write from Paris of the 3d of November, That the King had named Mr. d'Argenson Intendant of Perpignan, to go Ambassador to Constantinople, to relieve Mr. de Bonac, who is now there. From whence they write, That the Designs of the Turks in the present Juncture, seem only to send Assistance to Meriways, and not to come openly to a Rupture with the Czar; who, as the Letters from Muscovy advise, has actually sent General Czeremetoff to Constantinople, and that he is to take his Way thro' the Czar's Conquests in Persia, who are so well provided, as to be in a Condition to baffle all the Enterprizes that Meriways might form against them. Besides which, the Muscovite Governor there, having received another Reinforcement, and joined the Sophi's Army, which consists of 40000 Men, will be enabled to make head against Meriways, and give him Battle.

We are to adde to the Account given at the Close of our Last, from Madrid, That his Catholic Majesty has made the Marquis de St. Michael, a Lord of his Bed-chamber, in Reward for the new Settlement he has made in the Philippine Islands in the East Indies, of 240 Leagues in Circumference, where he has caus'd 4 Fortresses to be built, and lodged a good Garrison in each of them, and repaired six Churches of the Missionaries there, and erected 3 new ones, and all at his own Charge.

On Monday last died at his Seat at Fair-lane near Sevenoak in Kent, in the 70 Year of his Age, the Right Honourable Christopher Vane, Lord Barnard of Barnard-Castle; his steady Adherence to the Principles of our most excellent Church, and his great Charity to the Poor rendered him universally beloved, and makes his Death be no less lamented. His Lordship is succeeded in Honour and Estate of about 15000 *l. per Annum.* by his eldest Son, Guilbert, who married Mary Daughter of Morgan Randyll of Chetworth, in the County of Surry, Esq;

John Deale Esq; whom we mentioned in our last to be dangerously ill died Yesterday Morning, and that Afternoon, Sir James Montague, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer departed this Life at his House in Lincoln's Inn-fields: Some say he is to be succeeded by Baron Page.

A French Mail is just arrived, advising, That they expect every Day News of the Death of the Great Duke of Tuscany, That the Abbot Vitman, Sub-preceptor to the King, the Abbot Dyon Preceptor to the Count de Clermont and the Marquis de Telignan, Governour of that Prince, have received Orders to retire from Court, but the Occasion of their Disgrace is not known to the Publick.

Private Letters by the aforesaid Mail say, That the Dutchess of Buckingham and the Countess of Mar received last Sunday the Sacrament at the Chapel belonging to Sir Luke Schaub the British Resident at Paris.

'Tis insinuated, as tho' the King of France shews some Inclinations of inspecting into certain Affairs that occurred in his Minority.

Yesterday being the Anniversary of the Birth of the Prince of Wales, who then entered into the 41st Year of his Age, there was a great Appearance of the Nobility &c. at Leicester House, to compliment his Royal Highness; and at Night here was a magnificent Ball.

Yesterday 7 of the Berkshire Blacks, were by a *Habeas Corpus*, brought from Winchester Goal to this Town, and carried to Westminster Hall, where the Grand Jury found Bills of Indictment against them all; and their Trial is fixed for the 13 of November.

Some say, That Judge Eyre will be made Lord chief Baron of the Exchequer. We hear, That Colonel Guy, of the first Regiment of Guards, was lately married to a Fortune of 10000 L.

This Day died the Lady Laurence, at the House of her Son in Law Crew Osley Esq.

The Lord Chief Justice Pratt, and Sir John Fellows, continue dangerously ill.

Edinburgh, Nov. 5. Last Week arrived here, the Right Honourable the Earl of Ilay from London.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

A COMPOUND for improving of *Land*, which for it's Virtue, surpasses any Thing that has yet appeared, *impregnating* the *Seeds*, of every Kind of *Corn*, to such a Degree, as scarce any single Grain misgives, whereby Half the Quantity of Seed usually taken will suffice; and from that Half sown, an Increase is to be expected, modestly speaking, *Double*, if not *Triple* of what the full Seed would otherwise produce; and yet is so far from weakening, That it nourishes the Ground, and puts it in a much better Condition than it was before; And operating not only upon a rich Soil, but serving in Place of Dung, has also a surprising Effect upon the Coldest and Poorest Grounds, where no Dung is used: Of such a Quality as it may be kept for a Term of Years without losing it's Virtue. Is made by Robert Geddes Chirurgion Apothecary in Edinburgh, and sold only at the Laigh Coffee-House there. Price 1 s. a Chopin Bottle.

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Pour a Bottle of the Compound upon a Peck of Seed, of any kind of *Corn*, and so proportionably less or more, according to the Quantity of Seed to be sown, without any other Mixture whatsoever; let the Seed be immediatly moved, or turned over in the Vessel, so as it may be all equally wet by the Compound; continue to move or turn it over, at least once every Half-Hour, for the Space of four Hours; that it may drink the Compound wholly up; And whenever the Seed is so dry, as it does separate well enough in the Hand for sowing, let it be sown into the Ground; and cause harrow the Ground without Loss of Time

N. B. The Invention of this Composition makes it easy to try the Experiment, confident of the Virtue of the Compound; he proposes the Simplest Method of using it. Mere Pretenders usually leave much to be done by those they prescribe to, that when their Experiments fail, they may have a Handle left them, to throw the Blame from off themselves.

*S. At the Desire of severals of the Creditors of Mr. David Watson, late one of the Under-Clerks to the Bills. These are to notify, that its thought proper there be a general Meeting of the saids Creditors, in order to concert Measures for the common Interest of all, and for prosecuting and recovering his Funds, for operating their Payments, which if not timely done, may perish: And therefore

fore its desired; that they by themselves or their Doers do meet at John's Coffee-house on Wednesday the 20th of November Instant, at three of the Clock Afternoon.

¶ That the good Ship called *The Margaret of Dyserf*, *Alexander Ogilvie* Master, as she presently lies in the Harbour of *Leith*, with her whole Furniture, Burden 32 Tons or thereby, is to be exposed to voluntar Roup and Sale, in the House of *William Brown* on the *Coalhill* of *Leith*, upon Wednesday the 27th of this Instant November, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 in the Afternoon, the Inventars of the said Ship to be seen at the *Exchange Coffee-House* in *Edinburgh*, and *Will's Coffee-House* in *Leith*,

•• To be sold at *Eccles* in *Berwickshire* Rye-grass-seed at 10 Shillings sterl. the Boll, being of the first Years Crop: As also a good Quantity of Thorns of different Ages and Sizes, with Barren-trees of all Sorts at reasonable Prices. Such as want them at *Edinburgh*. shall have them delivered there, free of all Charges, and may enquire for *Walter Wordie* Writer in *Edinburgh*, to be found at *Durie's* Office, opposite to the *Stinking-stile* in the *Lucken-booths*, who will inform them as to the different Kinds, Ages and Prices of the saids Thorns and Barren-trees.

¶ That the excellent Treatise on *BOOK-KEEPING*, by the late Ingenious Mathematician *Mr. Alexander Macghie*, who taught that Science so successfully in this City, for many Years, being lately very accurately Printed here, is to be Sold at his Relict *Mr. Macghie's* Shop, a little above *Black Fryar Wynd*; and at *George Stuart* Bookseller his Shop in the *Parliament Clois*. Price bound in Calf, 4 sb. Sterl. Stitch'd, 3 sb.

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N B. That all Advertisements to be insert in the *Caledonian Mercury*, are for the future to be given in to *Mr. Rolland*, Author thereof, or to *James Grant*, at *Mr. Adams's* Printing-house: And all Payments for Advertisements, or Quarter-payments for the News-paper, are hereafter to be made to *Mr. Rolland* himself, or to the said *James Grant*.